

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of: Akihiko OTOGURO et al.

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METHOD OF FORMING PATTERN

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AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

October 14, 2004

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated July 15, 2004, please amend the above-referenced application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Arguments/Remarks begin on page 9 of this paper.